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Filing Date: 11/28/2001 ) Examiner: Funk, Stephen  
Title: PRINTING SYSTEM WITH A )  
NEGATIVE WORKING THERMAL )  
PLATE FOR ON-PRESS )  
DEVELOPMENT )

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 121

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed March 12, 2003,  
Applicants hereby elect the following, without traverse:

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Respectfully submitted,

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